

THE MILITARY SQUARE.

A Formation Borrowed by Wallace From the Flemings.

The greatest of all Scottish annals is that of Bannockburn, fought in the year 1314. Apart from its bearing on the independence of Scotland, the battle will always have an exceptional interest from the military point of view, as Bannockburn may be said to have been the birthplace of the British square. "Proud Edward's" army mainly consisted of cavalry, while that of the Scots, on the other hand, was almost exclusively composed of foot folk armed with the spear, and these Bruce threw into "schiltroms," or oblong squares, a formation borrowed by Wallace from the Flemings, who had employed it with success at Courtray to resist the charge of the English cavalry.

Hitherto the mounted mail clad knight had carried everything before him, but Courtray and Bannockburn proved that he was powerless to break resolute spear armed infantry drawn up in "schiltrom," or hedgehog formation, and these two battles revolutionized the tactics of the continent and of our own island. Profiting by the lesson which had been taught them at Bannockburn, the English applied the tactics of the Scots with brilliant success at Crecy and still more at Agincourt. As it was the Scots who may be said to have originated the British square at Bannockburn, so it was they again who at Balaklava were the first to discard it with their "thin red line," and now, owing to our changed conditions of warfare, it is discarded altogether.—London Chronicle.

MOHAMMEDANS OF INDIA.

Superstition Seems to Govern Most of Their Actions.

Mohammedans of India are very superstitious. No Mohammedan will take a bath on Sunday or Tuesday. But if one bathes on Wednesday all misfortunes and misery that are in store for him till the next Wednesday will be averted. As a rule, all Mohammedans bathe on Fridays before going to perform the jumma prayers. For donning new clothes Saturday, Sunday and Tuesday are regarded as bad days. If any one dons a new dress or puts on a new cloth or allows his tailor to cut a piece of cloth on these days, he will live a miserable life till that dress or cloth gets torn or is thrown away. If a shirt is torn and if the wearer wants to stitch it, it must be taken off, for if it is stitched while on the body the person will soon die. A Mohammedan will never allow a barber to come near him on Tuesdays, for Tuesdays and Saturdays and Sundays are bad days for shaving. If absolutely necessary he will get himself shaved on Saturday or Sunday, but never on Tuesday, as his star is supposed to fall in blood if he does so. If one receives money or some valuable thing, it is taken with the right hand, for if it is taken with the left the person receiving it is said to forget all about it very soon or to mislay it. A devout Mohammedan will not start on a journey on Wednesday, for it is believed he will never return home safely if he does so. And it is said that even a snake never ventures out of its hole on this day.

A Snake Story.

The family were at dinner when there came a tap at a door seldom opened. Winning no attention, it was repeated and again a third time, though more softly, and then the door was swung back and, behold, there was a snake, knocking at the portals of hospitality! Down upon its head, in conformity with the decree of tradition and with Ezra's understanding of scriptural direction, crunched a British boot. It was a mother snake, who, having bravely overcome her fear of man, was seeking sustenance, not for herself perhaps, though she was starving, but more likely for the little ones that were found in the grass by the brook. Thus for once, at any rate, did the craftiness of the devil succumb to the instinct of motherhood.—George B. M. Harvey in North American Review.

The "Macaroni."

The "macaroni" were exquisites or fops who in England and France led the fashions from 1780 to 1785 and were distinguished by an immense knot of artificial hair worn on the top of their heads. A small cocked hat which perched ridiculously on their topknot, satin or brocade coats and small clothes fitting tightly to the body and silk stockings with ribbon garters composed the costume of these fashionable gentlemen, who invariably carried a long walking stick with tassels attached and frequently a bouquet tied to the handle and encouraged a mincing and affected gait and manner. There was during the war for independence a body of Maryland soldiers who on account of their showy uniforms were called "macaroni."

She Had Learned.

"The hardest thing to acquire, miss," said the dramatic teacher, "is the art of laughing naturally without apparent effort."

"Oh, I've got that down fine," said she would be soubrette. "I typewrote for three years for a man who was always telling me funny stories about his little boy."—Indianapolis News.

He Knew.

Mrs.—Oh, Jack! Dolly told me the most exciting secret, and made me swear never to tell a living soul! Mr.—Well, hurry up with it. I'm late to the office now.—Cleveland Leader.

The care of the health of the people is the first duty of statesmen.—Disraeli.

Hopkinsville Market.

Corrected Tuesday, Aug. 17, 1909.

[THESE ARE RETAIL PRICES.]

Groceries.

Country lard, good color and clean, 15c per pound.
Country bacon, 15c per pound.
Black-eyed peas, \$2.75 per bushel.
Country shoulders, 14c per pound.
Country hams, 18c per pound.
Northern seed Rose potatoes, \$1.00 per bushel.
Northern eating Burbank potatoes, \$1.50 per bushel.
Northern eating Rural potatoes, \$1.50 per bushel.
Yellow eating onions, \$1.20 per bushel.
Red eating onions, \$1.00 per bushel.
Dried Navy beans, \$3.40 per bushel.
Tennessee cabbage, in crates, \$1.25.
Dried Lima beans, 5 3-4c per pound.
Country dried apples, 10c per pound.
Country dried peaches, 10c per pound.
Daisy cream cheese, 25c per pound.
Full cream brick cheese, 25c per pound.
Full cream Limberger cheese, 25c per pound.
Popcorn, dried on ear, 2c per pound.
Sweet potatoes, \$1.50 per bushel.
Choice lots fresh, well-worked country butter, in pound prints, 25c.

Fruits.

Georgia Peaches 75c basket.
Strawberries 50c to 60c gallon.
Pine Apples 2 for 25c.
Lemons, 25c per dozen.
Navel Oranges, 5c per doz.
Bananas, 20 to 25c doz.
New York State apples \$5 00 to \$6.50 per bushel.

New Vegetables.

Tomatoes 15c basket.
String Beans 10c gal.
Squashes 5c each.
Peas 20c gallon.
Potatoes, Irish, 25c peck.
Asparagus 10c bunch, 3 for 25c.
Rhubarb 5c bunch.
Onions 5c bunch.

Poultry.

Spring Chickens 30 to 35c.
Dressed hens, 13 to 15c per pound; dressed cocks, 6 to 10c per pound; live hens, 9c per pound; live cocks, 5c per pound; live turkeys, 12 to 15c per pound.
Dressed geese, 11c per pound for choice lots.
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No. 2 timothy hay, \$10.50.
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No. 1 clover hay, \$10.00.
No. 2 clover hay, \$8.00.
Clean, bright straw hay, \$4.00
Alfalfa hay, \$16.00.
White seed oats, 45c.
Black seed oats, 43c.
Mixed seed oats, 40c.
No. 2 white corn, 75c.
No. 2 mixed corn, 73c.
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TREES IN HOLLAND.

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The average Dutch town is an attractive place in the summer months, since practically every street and canal is bordered with shade trees, which shut out the glare of the sun and offer cool and inviting avenues for the exploration of the tourist. The banks of these canals are generally terraced in two levels—the lower one for warehouses and the upper for shops or dwellings, but each elevation is planted with trees.

At best a city is an exceedingly poor location for tree culture. Narrow streets, with tall buildings, exclude the life giving sunlight; asphalt or closely paved walks prevent the necessary moisture from sinking into the ground and nourishing thirsty roots, and leakage from the gas mains is a deadly poison to all vegetation. For this reason care should be exercised in the selection of the variety of trees for street planting in order to get the best results. In Holland time has demonstrated that the elm and linden should be placed in the first rank, for there are many examples of these species in Dutch towns which have withstood the ravages of more than two centuries. The elm appears to be the hardier of these two trees and will live under most adverse conditions.

The Dutch municipalities expend large sums each year for the preservation of their shade trees, but the results amply justify the cost for maintenance.—Harper's Weekly.

A MARRIAGE NOTICE.

The Modern One Sounded Quite Grand to the Old Lady.

Old Lady Goodyear laid down the paper with a sigh and looked over her spectacles at Grandfather Goodyear. "I feel quite ashamed when I remember our humble marriage notice," she said.

"Married, in the First Congregational church of Harbortown, Abel Goodyear to Mary Lawton," chanted Grandfather Goodyear. "It read well, to my thinking."

"Yes, for those days, but not for present times," said his old wife. "You know, Anastasia Cumming's daughter Laura married a Toby, and their daughter has just married Sophy Leavitt's grandson. His mother, Sophy's child, married a Wilson."

"Well, what of all that?" inquired Grandfather Goodyear, rubbing his forehead in great confusion of mind. "It's the fashion to keep all the family names," said Old Lady Goodyear, severely. "You hear how grand it sounds."

"Married, at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Frederick Cummings-Toby, by Rev. Harold Lowden Kirkbright, Edith Smythe Cummings to George Broune Leavitt-Wilson."

"Now, there's something for old Grandpa Broune and Grandma Smythe to be proud of—if they were alive."

"M'm!" said Grandfather Goodyear.—Youth's Companion.

His Condolence.

An English lord used to tell a story of a sheriff substitute he once knew slightly.

Although he was a very religious man, the sheriff had his faults, and one of these was that he had a habit of using strong language without realizing what his words implied. The sheriff's best friend was the minister of the parish, and a great misfortune befell the reverend gentleman by the death of his wife.

The sheriff wished to express his sympathy, but he found himself quite at a loss to know what to say. He sat for a long time scratching his head and puzzling himself to know what he could say to the minister. At last he blurted out, "Well, minister, this is a d—l of a business."—London Express.

Moon Worship in China.

The fete of the moon is celebrated in China in the eighth month of the year, and this lasts six days. Presents are then made on which the figure of the moon is apparent, and a large pagoda is illuminated. Firecrackers and music and family reunions prevail. A midnight banquet on the last night terminates the feast, and then the descent of the goddess of the moon, which we call the man in the moon, is awaited. She is supposed to visit the earth at this time to grant the wishes of mortals. The moon with the Chinese is the patroness of poetry, and autumn is the poet's favorite season.

Like a Mental Moving Picture.

Baker—People who have been near drowning say that in an instant all the events of their past lives are presented to their mental vision. Barker—I don't believe it. Baker—Why not? Barker—If it were true they wouldn't allow themselves to be rescued.—Life.

The Advantage.

Phyllis—I suppose Kenneth's marrying you depends on what your father finds out about him. Mildred—Yes, partially, and partially what he finds out about papa. Fortunately, papa has the advantage of experience.—Vogue.

Finance.

Visitor—Why are you naughty so much of the time? Bobby—Mamma gives me a nickel every time I promise to be good, and she never wants me to promise to be good unless I'm naughty.—Cleveland Leader.

Elevator Etiquette.

"Do you think a man ought to take off his hat in an elevator when there are ladies present?"

"Not if he is prematurely bald and the ladies are young."—Chicago Record-Herald.

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